



LAKESWOOD ARTS COMMISSION
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
Date: Monday, March 4, 2019 Time: 5:00PM – 6:15 PM
Lakewood City Hall, American Lake Room
6000 Main Street SW Lakewood, WA 98499

Attendees: Linda McDermott, Earl Borgert, Kat Flores, Adriana Bayer, Patti Bell, Darryl Owens, Lani Neil,
Staff: Sally Martinez, Nicolette York
Youth Council Members: Susan Cossio Trujillo, Angel Lee, Eileen Nguyen
Excused: Susan Coulter, Julie Powers, Stephanie Rose, Tod Wolf, Phil Raschke, Jason Whalen
Guests: Paige Hansen and Bill Elder

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Linda McDermott

Approval of Minutes: Julie Powers moved to approve the January minutes (no Feb meeting due to snow), Kat Flores seconded.

Public Comment: None

Welcomed Guests: Paige Hansen. Citizen of Lakewood since 2001 musician and works at radio station who was observing the meeting and thinking about becoming member.

Welcomed Bill Elder who is being voted on tonight at City Council as new member: has been involved with the arts east coast and west coast, started a theatre in Virginia, ran two night clubs, first CEO of Fremont Arts Council, print maker and life-long connection to art. Resident of Lakewood. Wood carving is his specialty.

Meeting Called to order: 5:07

Minutes approved by Patti Bell
Minutes seconded by Lani Neil

Recruitment:

4 openings. Bill to be voted in tonight.
Sue Coulter is retiring, stopped in to meeting to tell us in person. Her new work schedule is at same time as meeting. Stephanie is also resigning, moving to Texas.

Action Items

- All members: Brain storm 5 key words that define Lakewood to assist with public art themes.
- All members: Brainstorm activities and programs we can implement throughout Black History Month, new partners and key note speaker.
- All Members: think about Holiday Festival sponsor to approach.
- Adrianna: invite Kim who does the film workshops to our next meeting.
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- Adrianna: follow up with Reggae band
- Sally: follow up with JBLM band
- Sally: check in with Brianna to see if any artists have submitted art for colonial project

- Sally: Invite law enforcement to meeting to inform us what is gang related tagging/graffiti verses non gang related murals.
- Sally: Hire sound tech to look at our PA systems and write up specs
- Concert Committee: Before next meeting will meet. Design concert series graphics for signs, celebrate diversity tag line, mention day is Thursdays.

Public Art:

- Showed Power Point Presentation with example of what other cities are doing. Had a dialogue about what we can do in Lakewood.
- Taggers respect mural art and won't tag them. Could we have mural art on benches. Find a balance and work with the graffiti. Local murals that embrace that particular diversity of the community.
- Make a structure that is intended to be tagged. Designated graffiti. Tacoma did this.
- Goal: find space that showcases art that displays the art to be shown to its best advantage
- Perhaps in international area do a cultural mural.
- Idea of gateway to the arts
- Keep an open mind as to what the canvases are in nature and in the city there are unusually ways to incorporate public art (chain link fences, intersections). Locally oriented.
- Focus on areas that are eye sores, to beautify and/or areas around Town Center. Linda mentioned 4 areas in her power point.

Summer Concert Series:

Chose the new Name: **Summer Nights at the Pavilion**

Wanted it to be diverse and inclusive

Move time to 7-8:30pm

- Will spend \$300 on sound tech to write up specs on our PA system and make suggestions
- Create Large Signage for the concert series
- Will have a plan B and reach out to bands who can play if there is a cancellation
5 of the 6 slots are filled
- Signage is important so lets put more signage up that is big and readable
- Here are the dates:

July 18, JBLM Band - TBD

July 25, Lonely Hearts Band, Beatles Tribute Band

August 1, Dakota Porman, Country -up and coming artist on tour

August 8, Stay Grounded, local Reggae Island band

Aug 22 - Candy Shoppe, pop music

Aug 29 - Justin Young Sax, Jazz and more

MLK Committee

- New Date: Feb. 1 to coincide with Black History Month
- Theme: "The dream and the valuing of human life" (This was born from students ideas at MLK this year)
- Essay contest letter was distributed to the high schools with the question being "How does the civil rights movement today, enhance the value of humanity?"

- Need to do more brainstorming about what activities and programs we can implement throughout Black History Month

Holiday Committee:

Sally created a sponsor power point and next step is to approach sponsors.

New Idea: Film Festival for Young Film Makers

Linda met with Steven Smith, general manager at AMC theatres. He was very enthusiastic and said he would love to help with a film festival. He will work with us on the cost. Each theatre fits 95 people. He said they can show films in ANY format!!! Celebrating youth in our community. Typically the theatres rent for \$400 each. Guests could purchase the concessions from the theatre.

Next steps: Research what Tacoma does and best practices. Pick a tentative date. Something to the effect of movie makers have 3 days to create a 3 minute film in any medium. Have a kids film workshop where they can learn. Taps into talent in our community. Adrianna can invite Kim who does the film workshops to our next meeting. Continue dialogue with AMC theater general manager.

Finances: Tabled allocation of \$2,000 to next meeting

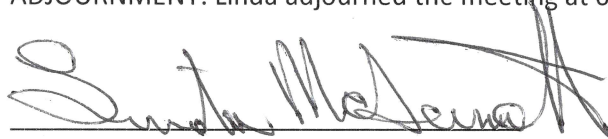
Meeting adjourned: 6:22pm

NEXT MEETING:

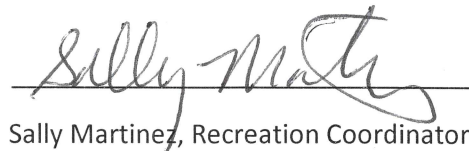
Monday, April 1, 2019 @ 5:00 pm – City Hall

American Lake Room

ADJOURNMENT: Linda adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.



Linda McDermott, Chair



Sally Martinez, Recreation Coordinator